



# Annual Report and Financial Statements

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023



Connect Church UK  
Trinity@Birmingham  
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Registered Charity no. 1133824  
Company No. 07003576



**CONNECT CHURCH UK**  
**Trustees’ Annual Report and Financial Statements**  
**For the year ended 31 March 2023**

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## Legal and Administrative Information

### Reference

Connect Church UK (CCUK) was founded by a small group of 'Brummies' during the 2nd World War in Sparkhill, Birmingham and is a part of the Assemblies of God denomination. CCUK became registered as an incorporated charitable company in 2009 within England and Wales as a limited company by guarantee with charitable status.

The other working names associated with CCUK are Trinity@Birmingham.

CCUK is a welcoming, multiethnic church that spans the generations and is passionate in its worship and care for people. Our mission is to connect people into a world-transforming relationship with Jesus Christ. While the immediate focus is to minister to the community of Small Heath and the Eastside of Birmingham, the church also has a wider reach across the city and internationally.

**Registered Charity Numbers** 1133824

**Registered Company Number** 07003576

**Registered Office** 150 Coventry Road  
Small Heath  
Birmingham  
West Midlands  
England  
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**Website** [www.trinityunitedkingdom.org](http://www.trinityunitedkingdom.org)

<b>Trustees</b>	Pastor Kirk McAtear	<i>Chair of trustees</i>
	Pastor Gerald Tan	<i>Appointed 25/06/2023</i>
	Pastor Dominic Yeo	<i>Appointed 25/06/2023</i>
	Joycelyn Edwards	<i>Appointed 05/06/2022</i>
	Valerie Danelczyk	<i>Appointed 05/06/2022</i>
	Louison Ricketts	
	Bradford Ricketts	
	Simon Lakin	
	Pastor Tracee McAtear	<i>Company Secretary</i>
	Grace Sutton	<i>Resigned 17/07/2022</i>
<b>Key Management Personnel</b>	Pastor Kirk McAtear	<i>Senior Minister</i>
	Pastor Tracee McAtear	<i>Executive Minister</i>

# Legal and Administrative Information

## Committee Members

### Management Team

Tracee McAtear  
Valerie Danelczyk  
Matthew Hopley  
Yvette John

Trustee  
Trustee  
Staff member  
Congregation

## Bankers

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The Charity Bank Ltd, Fosse House, 182 High St,  
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Nigel Wyatt BSC FCA  
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## CONNECT CHURCH UK

### Trustees' Annual Report (Including Directors' Report) for the year ended 31 March 2023

## Objectives, Achievements and Performance

Connect Church UK's (CCUK) purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are:

- (a) to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the directors from time to time may think fit;
- (b) to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the directors from time to time think fit; and
- (c) to advance education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the directors from time to time may think fit.



## WHAT WE DO – OVERVIEW

All the activities and organisational structure of CCUK fit into the pattern:

- that we would connect with God in personal **worship**;
- that we would connect to a community of people in relationship and **love**;
- that we would connect to our purpose through **serving**;
- which is all facilitated by effective, efficient, and ethical **management**.

This pattern will be accomplished through providing the following public benefits:

### **Worship**

- Regular public worship open to all. Each week we have hosted a Sunday service simultaneously in-person and online.

### **Love**

- People are encouraged to build relationships and community through a variety of small groups offered in locations across the city. The small groups are formed based on: geographical location, generation, gender, general interest or personal growth.
- Pastoral work including supporting the sick and bereaved facilitated by clergy, staff and lay members.

### **Serve**

- to support other charities in Birmingham in practical ways.
- to engage with our local community to encourage better relationships amongst our neighbours.
- to partner with similar churches/charities abroad to learn from and support their works.

The **five goals** that Connect Church UK set out to achieve in 2022/2023 were:

1. Game Changing Worship - Creating our Expression;
2. Game Changing Love - Growing our Relationships;
3. Game Changing Serving - Reaching our Community;
4. Game Changing Management - Stewarding what we have been given;
5. Game Changing location - Moving into our New Building.

# 2022/2023: A YEAR IN REVIEW

This GAMECHANGER year was inspired by the lead up to the Commonwealth Games taking place in Birmingham during the Summer of 2022. Quotes included here are some of the responses from a survey conducted in Summer 2022.

## 1. Game-changing Worship – Creating our Expression

The focus of this goal was to use the lessons and innovations from the Covid 19 pandemic to enhance the worship experience without losing the unique expression of the Connect Church UK or isolating the congregation who continue to participate online. We continued to stream the live services on YouTube for congregation members tentative or unable to return to in-person gatherings. For a church that met in rented premises every Sunday this was a remarkable feat for the setup and pack down team of mainly volunteers. We are incredibly grateful for their energy and dedication, week in and week out.

There was an 11% increase in people attending the Sunday services from the previous year, an indicator of the increasing confidence to return to in-person worship. Throughout the year, special services for Easter, Father's Day, Summer, Commonwealth Games, and Christmas were an opportunity for CCUK to welcome new friends and for old friends to return.



## 2. Game-changing Love – Growing our Relationships

After the isolation of Covid the intent of this goal was to increase the number of opportunities for appropriate in-person and virtual interactions that could lead to the formation, rebuilding, repairing and restrengthening of relationships. Connect Groups and courses such as Freedom in Christ and Alpha began to meet again in person as well as on-line. Boost Men and Bloom Women ran several events such as Toby Carvery Breakfasts, Ten Pin Bowling Nights and a Garden Party as an opportunity for people to gather and connect.

In May 2022, the theme for the Sunday Services was 'Game-Changing Relationships' and included members of the congregation sharing their experiences of how they have embraced and navigated differing relationship states and challenges. The feedback from this series was enthusiastic.



*“The topics that have been covered on Sundays, in particular the topic on 'Relationships'. These topics are well delivered and engaging. I have been inspired to look at my relationships with others and how God wants us to live our lives in relation to others.”*

### **3. Game-changing Service – Reaching our Community**

This year CCUK continued to build upon collaborative partnerships and initiatives within the local and global community to provide for practical needs, foster positive relationship and bring spiritual encouragement.

These key local partnerships included Safe Families, Wyndcliffe Primary School, King Solomon International Business School, Time4Change Birmingham, ChaplaincyPlus, Birmingham Churches Together, Interserve, Birmingham City Football Club Chaplaincy, Hobmoor Oasis Community Centre, Small Heath Baby Bank. The congregation regularly provided practical donations for foodbanks, baby banks, school uniforms and Christmas gifts for vulnerable people. The Connect Kids raised sponsored funds for Safe Families by going on a Jelly Welly Walk – well done to the children for squelching in their boots!

Key global partnerships for this year included Samaritan’s Purse, Open Doors, Compassion, and Assemblies of God Impact 25:40. The congregation made donations to provide emergency relief for the Pakistan Floods, Heaters for Ukrainians in the lead up to Winter and in response to the Turkish and Syrian Earthquakes.

### **4. Game-changing Management – Stewarding what we have been given**

The church faced external and internal challenges. Externally, the Cost-of-Living crisis impacted CCUK as a result of high inflation and increasing interest rates; while gaps left by the departures of some staff and key volunteers who were dearly missed were also keenly felt. The Trustees, supported by the Management team, had to discern how to navigate these challenges while continuing to press forward and realize the vision, goals and charitable objects of the church.

The key funding providers, the Charity Bank and Big Issue Invest worked with CCUK to ease the pressure by increasing the borrowing facility and extending the capital repayment holiday during this period. The Trustees also explored options beyond our own church and began a conversation with the leadership of Trinity Christian Centre Singapore, a long-standing ally and supporter of CCUK, to explore the possibilities of a closer relationship between the two churches, to move from friends to family.

### **5. Game-changing Location – Moving into our New Building**

The landscaping design was redesigned to reduce costs and phase the occupation and was approved by Birmingham City Council on 1 December 2022. The second phase of work commenced immediately with the goal for the staff team to move into the building in April 2023 to deliver non-public facing activities and also store the church equipment and assets.



## PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

The Trustees anticipate that 2023/24 will be a significant year of transformation and change as Connect Church UK adopts the working name of Trinity@Birmingham and becomes an Overseas Centre of Trinity Christian Centre Singapore. The identified theme for year is METAMORPHOSIS and the 5 goals for the year are:

1. MORPH into a new season of WORSHIP

A new music director has been engaged to rebuild the worship team for the new season. Focus is being given to developing the whole person – practical skills, music theory and devotional lifestyle, not just through rehearsals but workshops with external practitioners. All creative team stakeholders will have the opportunity to contribute to the fit out of the Sanctuary and have training in the sound and lighting systems to be installed in the new building.

2. MORPH into a new season of LOVE

There will be a renewed emphasis on Christian Discipleship and the training up of 'Spiritual Parents' and Connect (Small) Group leaders to connect and disciple people into the Christian Faith as well as welcome and embed them into the life of the church. Connect Groups will be relaunched during the year once the preparation and training of the first batch of leaders is completed.

3. MORPH into a new season of SERVING

We continue to identify opportunities and partners to provide practical help and support not only in our local community but globally as well. However as we prepare to move into the new church building there will be an emphasis on mobilizing the church congregation to more actively engage and facilitate programs, activities and events to welcome and support our neighbours.

4. MORPH from friends into family as we become TRINITY@BIRMINGHAM

As a result of much prayer and deliberation, the trustees of CCUK have invited long term supporter and friend Trinity Christian Centre (TCC) Singapore, to provide leadership and practical support. TCC has offered for CCUK to join the global family of their church and be recognized as an Overseas Centre, with the working name Trinity@Birmingham.

5. MORPH from mobile church into the NEW BUILDING

Now that the staff team has moved into the new building for non-public facing activities, the goal is to engage Mayway Constructions to complete the building for Building Control sign-off to allow occupation for public facing activities, while delaying the remaining non-occupation related planning conditions to manage funding. There will need to be much preparation work of policies, training and creation of new teams and procedures to facilitate day-to-day life in the new venue.

## REVIEWING FINANCES

CCUK reported a net deficit of £28,538 on general funds, a larger loss when compared to the previous year (2022: -£3,815). Income from general donations £223,190 (2022: £212,722) did increase but not enough to counteract the rising costs. Restricted funds decreased to £227,676 (2022: £335,768) following the ongoing development of the building project.

Income derived from voluntary donations decreased by 6% to £504,939 in 2023 compared to £536,187 in 2022. Two large donations were included in these donations. There were significant donations of Flooring, Chair for the Sanctuary and office furniture for the new building resulting in the goods in kind income being valued at £94,400. There was no income from Grants this year, despite the best efforts of a professional grant writer, and the team at CCUK. There was an increase in income from Charitable Activities £4,846 (2022: £1,610) as the church became more active after Covid 19.

Expenditure increased by 12%, totaling £342,867 in 2023, compared with £305,773 in 2022. The ongoing construction of the Home and Hub, and the increased venue rental, utility and insurance costs of in-person activities of the church account for the rise in expenditure.

### Restricted funds

Restricted funds comprise donations given for a specific ministry purpose. As at 31 March 2023 the unspent portion of these funds amounted to £20,191 (2022: £227,674).

### Fundraising policy

CCUK receives most of its donation income from its congregation. However, occasionally other organisations and grant-makers are approached to assist with special projects. The trustees are committed to maintaining the highest legal and ethical standards in the way the charity undertakes its fundraising activities. CCUK is committed to abiding by the Code of Fundraising Practice and to the Fundraising Promise.

### Reserves Policy

Trustees of CCUK manage a tension between faith in God as the source of provision for the financial resources required to fund the work of the church, as well as the need to wisely steward resources to ensure that the church has sufficient working capital to meet its obligations to its employees and creditors. The Trustees aim to hold sufficient “free” reserves (equivalent to cash and liquid assets) to cover at least three months’ expenditure. Free reserves at 31 March 2023 £146,921 (2022: £102,859) against a target based on 2023-24 budgeted costs of £111,204. For 2023 the free reserves have been calculated as net current assets less restricted funds. The Trustees will remain mindful of this target in making financial decisions and allocating resources during the current year, especially with the challenge of completing the new building in a volatile financial climate.

# STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

## Governing Document

The church is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 28 August 2009 and registered as a charity on 27 January 2010. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association and amended by special resolution(s) dated 05/02/2013 which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Although Connect Church UK is an autonomous charity, since the church's commencement in 1940 it has had fellowship status with the Assemblies of God Great Britain (AoG GB), and abides by the Constitution of AoG GB, has accepted the AoG GB Statement of Faith, contributes financially to AoG GB and ensures that the Senior Minister has AoG GB Ministerial Status.

## RECRUITMENT AND APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

### Training and Induction of Trustees

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and are known in Connect Church UK as Vision Protectors. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the trustees are identified by the Senior Minister and, after an application process, are appointed by the Trustees at the Annual General Meeting. The directors are not required to retire by rotation. It is considered that all the Trustees and any others who could be understood to be 'managers' in the activities of the charity are deemed to be 'fit and proper' persons under the terms of the Finance Act 2010. Training is available for any new trustee or those continuing to serve as on the board and as part of the regular meetings as well.

One of the trustees, Grace Sutton relocated due to work and as a result decided to resign as trustee in July 2022. Aware of the changes that were taking place on the Trustee Board, two new trustees, Valerie Danelczyk and Joycelyn Edwards were appointed in June 2022.

### Organisational Structure and Decision Making

The Board of Trustees met online, in-person or a hybrid of both, 13 times in the 2022/2023 financial year of the company. While the majority of these meetings were regular meetings of the board, some were extraordinary meetings to discuss the proposal of CCUK becoming a part of the Trinity Christian Centre global family.

The Trustees are responsible for the various ministries and operations of the church and make regular reports at the meetings so that issues may be highlighted and discussed. A sub-committee, called the Management Team, of staff and skilled lay members of various professional backgrounds from the church is led by the Executive Minister and their research and recommendations inform the Board of Trustees. The salary sub-committee of two Trustees and two members from the Management Team, all non-paid volunteers, did not review or recommend the salaries of the staff for the 2023/24 budget as salaries were frozen while negotiating the financial challenges of the year.



### **Trustee's Responsibilities**

All Trustees are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in their publication 'The Advancement of Religion for Public Benefit' and have regard to it in their administration and activities of Connect Church UK.

### **Risk Management**

Connect Church UK recognises that in relation to 'Risk Assessment', risk is defined as 'the threat of any action or event which will adversely affect an organization's ability to achieve its objectives and execute its strategies'. It also accepts that the term 'risk' can include any circumstances that may, or do, have an adverse effect, and is wider than financial matters. 'Risks' relate not only to the negative consequences of a threat, but also to the impact of not taking advantage of opportunities.

Connect Church UK recognises it requires a practical Health and Safety Policy for any building and surrounding grounds it owns or rents in pursuit of its activities. This is reviewed on a regular basis. An Accident log is maintained.

The contents and obligations of the Equality Act 2010 and the Data Protection Act 2018 are known and complied with to the best of the church's ability. The Trustees are aware of their responsibilities in respect of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 and its requirement to carry out a fire assessment to identify any possible dangers and risks, to take action to minimize the risks and to create a plan to deal with any emergencies, and also to write up and keep a record of its findings and to review its assessment annually. The Trustees have appointed Matthew Hopley to be the responsible person to put these matters into operation.

There is a Protection Policy in place in respect of children and vulnerable adults. Checks have been and are made with the Disclosure and Barring Service (formerly the CRB) in respect of persons dealing regularly with young people and vulnerable adults. The Trustees' appointed officer for this is Louison Ricketts. Whilst it is impossible to eliminate all risks and their consequences, efforts are constantly made to minimize such occurrences. The safeguarding policy is reviewed and revised annually and was approved in November 2022 by the Trustees and implemented where applicable in the various ministries of the church. Trustees are kept informed on matters affecting the church, such as health and safety, disability discrimination legislation and child protection.

## Principal Risks and Uncertainties

No.	Potential Risk	Mitigation
1.	Loss of confidence by stakeholders due to the behaviour of senior leadership or staff members.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Connect Church values are clearly defined and regularly communicated</li> <li>Prayer and worship are central to CCUK</li> <li>Oversight structures are in place for senior leaders and staff.</li> </ul>
2.	The economic challenges due to the Cost of Living crisis, and high inflation is causing significant operating challenges and could impact CCUK's income and/or cashflow.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expenditure is being carefully controlled and income closely monitored as financial fragility increases.</li> <li>CCUK relies on God's provision and the generosity of the congregation to meet its financial needs.</li> <li>Key supporter Trinity Christian Centre (TCC) has been approached to for a closer relationship that will enable CCUK to continue to operate as an Overseas Centre of the TCC global family.</li> </ul>
3.	A shortfall in income and/or inadequate cashflow results in an inability to meet salary and creditor payments. Specific financial risks are: New building project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aim to hold at least 3 months' working capital</li> <li>Strong budgetary and financial controls are in place.</li> <li>Additional funding streams are being sought specifically for the new building.</li> </ul>
4.	Harm comes to those in our care due to lack of appropriate and compliant child and vulnerable adult safeguarding procedures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Safeguarding at CCUK is overseen by a Safeguarding trustee and Management committee representative.</li> <li>CCUK works closely with <b>Connect2families</b> and <b>thirtyone:eight</b> to ensure that it models best practice in the area of safeguarding.</li> </ul>
5.	Harm comes to visitors or staff due to lack of appropriate and compliant Health & Safety procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regular H&amp;S reporting currently from Venue Coordinator at Management and staff meetings.</li> <li>When in Home &amp; Hub: internal and external H&amp;S Advisors monitor and report on risk areas identified.</li> </ul>
6.	Inability to operate in the event of a disaster due to lack of adequate business continuity planning. Business continuity compromised or critical data lost through cyber-attack.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IT systems are backed up remotely and can be accessed remotely.</li> <li>Continue to invest in digital and technology systems including technology.</li> <li>Data audits regularly conducted.</li> </ul>
7.	Future of the organization jeopardized due to lack of adequate succession planning for key senior roles.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Succession planning needs to start taking place for key senior roles in the organisation.</li> <li>Provision of leadership support by TCC.</li> </ul>
8.	Poor decision-making and breach of regulatory requirements due to weak or non-compliant governance structures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trustee meetings and structures are compliant with Charity Commission, Companies House and governing document requirements.</li> <li>Conflicts of interest are managed appropriately at trustee level.</li> </ul>
9.	Legal risks and potential disruption arising from use of rental venues for operations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Try to ensure that agreements with hired premises have a notice period that allows for alternate accommodation to be in place.</li> <li>Significant communication takes place to inform congregation of changes in venue and operation.</li> <li>Insurance policies are updated to reflect changes in operation.</li> </ul>
10.	Growth in the church services and operations unable to be serviced by current staffing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The creation of a strategic plan that identifies priorities in staffing, funding levels required to recruit and potential strategies to increase funding as well as identify suitable volunteers.</li> </ul>

## Statement of responsibilities of the Trustees

CCUK Board of Trustees is responsible for preparing the Annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom generally accepted accounting practice.

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare a statement of financial activities and statement of assets and liabilities for each financial year, which gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the church and of its financial activities for that year and adequately distinguishes any material special trust or other restricted fund of the church.

In preparing those financial statements the CCUK Board of Trustees is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on Accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards, subject to the material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the church will continue to operate.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the church and to take reasonable steps to detect fraud or other irregularities and to provide reasonable assurances that:

- the church is operating efficiently and effectively;
- its assets are safeguarded against unauthorized use or disposition;
- proper records are kept and financial information used within the church or for publication is reliable;
- the church complies with relevant laws and regulations.

### Independent Examiner

The CCUK Board of Trustees were so grateful for the support of the previous Independent Examiner Father Alan Clements, however due to the changes taking place for the charity it was decided to identify and appoint accountants who would be able to provide additional support in the preparation as well as the examination of the accounts. We appreciate that Wyatt and Co have agreed to take on this role.

### Approval

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees of Connect Church UK and signed on its behalf, by Pastor Kirk McAtear, Senior Minister.

Signed:



Date: 15/12/2023



# CONNECT CHURCH UK

Year Ended 31st March 2023

## Independent Examiners Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Connect Church UK ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023.

### Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### Independent Examiner's Statement

I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Nigel Wyatt BSC FCA  
Independent Examiner  
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Date: 15/12/2023

# CONNECT CHURCH UK

Year Ended 31st March 2023

## Statement of Financial Activities (Income and Expenditure Account Included)

		Unrestricted Funds	2023 Restricted Funds	Total Funds	2022 Total Funds
	Note	£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>					
Donations and legacies		337,590	167,349	<b>504,939</b>	536,187
Charitable activities		4,846	-	<b>4,846</b>	1,610
Other income		477	88	<b>565</b>	185
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>2</b>	<u>342,913</u>	<u>167,437</u>	<u><b>510,350</b></u>	<u>537,982</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Raising funds	<b>8</b>	1,855	-	<b>1,855</b>	5,997
Charitable activities	<b>3, 4, 5, 6, 7</b>	255,196	85,816	<b>341,012</b>	299,775
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<u>257,051</u>	<u>85,816</u>	<u><b>342,867</b></u>	<u>305,772</u>
<b>Net Income / (Expenditure)</b>		<u>85,862</u>	<u>81,621</u>	<u><b>167,483</b></u>	<u>232,210</u>
<b>Net Income and Net Movement In Funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward	<b>16</b>	1,130,346	227,676	<b>1,358,022</b>	1,125,812
Transfers	<b>16</b>	289,082	(289,082)	-	-
<b>Total Funds Carried Forward</b>	<b>16</b>	<u>1,505,290</u>	<u>20,215</u>	<u><b>1,525,505</b></u>	<u><b>1,358,022</b></u>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement is a combined Statement of Financial Activities and Income and Expenditure Account for the purposes of meeting both the Companies Act and Charity SORP reporting requirements.

# CONNECT CHURCH UK

Year Ended 31st March 2023

## Statement of Financial Position

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Tangible fixed assets	12	2,650,535	2,180,957
		<u>2,650,535</u>	<u>2,180,957</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	13	27,363	9,484
Cash at bank and in hand		119,855	295,240
Investments		31,083	30,725
		<u>178,301</u>	<u>335,449</u>
<b>Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year</b>	14	<u>11,189</u>	<u>4,913</u>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<u>167,112</u>	<u>330,536</u>
<b>Total Assets Less Current Liabilities</b>		<u>2,817,647</u>	<u>2,511,493</u>
<b>Creditors: Amounts Falling Due After One Year</b>	15	<u>1,292,142</u>	<u>1,153,471</u>
<b>Net Assets</b>	17	<u>1,525,505</u>	<u>1,358,022</u>
<b>Funds of The Charity</b>			
Restricted funds	16	20,191	227,676
Unrestricted funds	16		
Unrestricted general		146,921	1,130,346
Designated funds		1,358,393	-
		<u>1,505,314</u>	<u>1,130,346</u>
<b>Total Charity Funds</b>		<u>1,525,505</u>	<u>1,358,022</u>

These financial statements for Connect Church UK (Company number: 07003576) have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small entities regime of the Companies Act 2006. The Directors are satisfied that for the year ended on 31st March 2023 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and that no member or members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act. However, In accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an Independent Examiner.

### Directors Responsibilities

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue :

Name of Trustee:

Kirk McAtear

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Date of approval:

15/12/2023



# CONNECT CHURCH UK

Year Ended 31st March 2023

## Statement of Cash Flows

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</b>		
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	157,150	236,807
	<u>157,150</u>	<u>236,807</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</b>		
Dividends and interest	565	184
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(471,413)	(344,875)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	<u>(470,848)</u>	<u>(344,691)</u>
<b>Cash flows from Financing Activities:</b>		
Repayments on borrowing	-	-
Cash inflows from new borrowing	138,671	-
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<u>138,671</u>	<u>-</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period	(175,027)	(107,884)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	325,965	433,849
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents At The End of The Reporting Period</b>	<u>150,938</u>	<u>325,965</u>

## Reconciliation of Net Movement in Funds to Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities

	2023 £	2022 £
Net movement in funds for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	167,483	232,210
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	1,835	1,825
Dividends and interest from investments	(565)	(184)
(Increase) / decrease in debtors	(17,879)	2,540
Increase / (decrease) in creditors	6,276	416
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>157,150</u>	<u>236,807</u>

## Analysis of Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2023 £	2022 £
Cash at bank	119,855	295,240
Short term investments	31,083	30,725
Total cash at bank and short term investments	<u>150,938</u>	<u>325,965</u>

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### 1 Accounting Policies

#### 1.1 Basis of Preparation

The financial statements of the charitable company have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Companies Act 2006 and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to smaller entities.

The financial accounts are prepared in Sterling (£) which is the functional currency of the charitable company.

Connect Church UK meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

#### 1.2 Assessment of Going Concern

During the 2022/23 financial year, the trustees considered the challenges to keep the charity operating on the basis of going concern. After considering the options, interventions were implemented which have enabled the practical completion and occupation of the church building (previously referred to as the Home and Hub). The trustees now consider the charity to be a going concern for the next twelve months.

#### 1.3 Fund Accounting

Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have set aside resources for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the term of specific appeal.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in Note 13 of the financial statements.

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### 1.4 Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability.

- All voluntary income is recognised as donations and are included in full, with associated gift aid receivable in the Statement of Financial Activities.
- Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of specific performance by the charity are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Income from charitable activities are accounted for when invoices are drawn up and the service has been provided (as the point of entitlement).
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified.
- Gifts in Kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.
- Time is expended on the charity's activities and governance which is donated free of charge. It is impractical to quantify the value of the time given, and accordingly it is neither recorded as donated income nor as an expense in the financial statements.
- Investment Income is included in the accounts when receivable.

### 1.5 Resources Expended

The costs of charitable activities represent the cost of undertaking the charity's objectives and include direct costs incurred in delivering those services together with support costs. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Value added tax is not recoverable by the charitable company and as such it is included in the relevant costs in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Costs of raising funds include expenditure on promotion and advertising plus any fundraising trading costs.

### 1.6 Governance Costs

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of the trustees' meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

### 1.7 Liabilities Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.



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### 1.8 Tangible Fixed Assets

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised and at historic cost. Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is charged on fixed assets which is written off on a straight-line basis over time and estimated useful life of the asset.

Fixtures, fittings and furniture	20% Straight line
Motor vehicles	20% Straight line
Computer equipment	20% Straight line

Fixtures, fittings and vehicles are reviewed for impairment if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be recoverable. If there is an indication of possible impairment, the recoverable amount of any affected asset is estimated and compared against its carrying amount. Where the estimated recoverable amount is lower, an impairment loss is recognised immediately in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Fixed assets are for use by the church in fulfilling its objects and are capitalised and depreciated. Depreciation is provided at rates appropriate to reduce book values to estimated residual values over the useful lives of the assets concerned. Land or buildings includes construction and professional fees associated with the new building. Depreciation will commence once the buildings are commissioned. Land and buildings are then revalued periodically to reflect their net realisable value.

### 1.9 Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

### 1.10 Operating Leases

Rental charges payable under operating leases are charged on a straight line basis over the terms of the lease.

### 1.11 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively for charitable purposes. The charity is not exempt from Value Added Tax.

### 1.12 Volunteer Assistance

Time is expended on the charity's activities and governance which is donated free of charge. It is impractical to quantify the value of the time given, and accordingly it is neither recorded as donated income nor as an expense in the financial statements.

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### 1.13 Financial Instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' of FRS 102 to all its financial instruments. Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. With the exceptions of prepayments and deferred income all other debtor and creditor balances are considered to be basic financial instruments under FRS 102.

### 1.14 Employee Benefits

The cost of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense. The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received. Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

### 1.15 Critical Accounting Estimates and Areas of Judgement

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

### 1.16 Gifts In Kind

Gifts in kind are recognised when control over the asset is transferred and the fair value can be reliably measured. Gifts in kind, including tangible assets and donated services, are measured at fair value upon receipt. The accounts disclose the nature, valuation methods, and any restrictions associated with gifts in kind in the financial statements.

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### 2 Analysis of Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
<b>Donations and Legacies</b>			
Donations	212,695	152,825	<b>365,520</b>
Gift aid	30,495	14,524	<b>45,019</b>
Grants	-	-	-
Legacies	-	-	-
Gifts in kind	94,400	-	<b>94,400</b>
	<u>337,590</u>	<u>167,349</u>	<u><b>504,939</b></u>
<b>Charitable Activities</b>			
Church activities	1,639	-	<b>1,639</b>
Other activities	3,207	-	<b>3,207</b>
	<u>4,846</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>4,846</b></u>
<b>Other Income</b>			
Donated goods & services	-	-	-
Bank interest	477	88	<b>565</b>
	<u>477</u>	<u>88</u>	<u><b>565</b></u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<u><b>342,913</b></u>	<u><b>167,437</b></u>	<u><b>510,350</b></u>

During the year the charity received two material gifts in kind totalling £94,400 worth of goods and services. The nature of the goods and services received during the year was the donation of 180 chairs for the main sanctuary along with the supply and fitting of the flooring of the new building valued.

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### 2 Analysis of Income (Continued)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
<b>Donations and Legacies</b>			
Donations	183,437	246,046	<b>429,483</b>
Gift aid	29,285	15,919	<b>45,204</b>
Grants	-	61,500	<b>61,500</b>
Legacies	-	-	-
Gifts in kind	-	-	-
	<hr/> 212,722	<hr/> 323,465	<hr/> <b>536,187</b>
<b>Charitable Activities</b>			
Church activities	1,445	-	<b>1,445</b>
Other activities	165	-	<b>165</b>
	<hr/> 1,610	<hr/> -	<hr/> <b>1,610</b>
<b>Other Income</b>			
Donated goods & services	-	-	-
Bank interest	144	41	<b>185</b>
	<hr/> 144	<hr/> 41	<hr/> <b>185</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<hr/> <b>214,476</b>	<hr/> <b>323,506</b>	<hr/> <b>537,982</b>

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### 3 Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Salaries £	Other direct costs £	Support costs £	2023 £
Ordinary ministry of the church	126,590	39,621	84,647	<b>250,858</b>
Development of Home & Hub	-	73,537	-	<b>73,537</b>
Grants and mission giving	-	16,617	-	<b>16,617</b>
	<u>126,590</u>	<u>129,775</u>	<u>84,647</u>	<u><b>341,012</b></u>

	Salaries £	Other direct costs £	Support costs £	2022 £
Ordinary ministry of the church	131,427	-	79,120	<b>210,547</b>
Development of Home & Hub	-	68,645	-	<b>68,645</b>
Grants and mission giving	-	20,584	-	<b>20,584</b>
	<u>131,427</u>	<u>89,229</u>	<u>79,120</u>	<u><b>299,776</b></u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Ordinary ministry of the church	250,858	-	<b>250,858</b>
Development of Home & Hub	-	73,537	<b>73,537</b>
Grants and mission giving	4,338	12,279	<b>16,617</b>
	<u>255,196</u>	<u>85,816</u>	<u><b>341,012</b></u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Ordinary ministry of the church	210,547	-	<b>210,547</b>
Development of Home & Hub	293	68,351	<b>68,644</b>
Grants and mission giving	6,290	14,294	<b>20,584</b>
	<u>217,130</u>	<u>82,645</u>	<u><b>299,775</b></u>



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### 4 Ordinary Ministry of the Church

	Salaries	Other direct costs	Support costs	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Contribution to AoG GB	-	5,400	-	<b>5,400</b>
Salaries and pension contributions	126,590	-	-	<b>126,590</b>
Staff related costs	-	11,142	27,561	<b>38,703</b>
Cost of services	-	13,702	33,892	<b>47,594</b>
Pastoral care & training	-	1,005	2,486	<b>3,491</b>
Worship	-	-	-	<b>-</b>
Church courses & events	-	3,253	8,046	<b>11,299</b>
Youth and children's work	-	4,705	11,638	<b>16,343</b>
Engage (local social action)	-	414	1,024	<b>1,438</b>
	<u>126,590</u>	<u>39,621</u>	<u>84,647</u>	<u><b>250,858</b></u>

	Salaries	Other direct costs	Support costs	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
Contribution to AoG GB	-	5,967	-	<b>5,967</b>
Salaries and pension contributions	131,427	-	-	<b>131,427</b>
Staff related costs	-	7,925	2,862	<b>10,787</b>
Cost of services	-	16,208	31,096	<b>47,304</b>
Pastoral care & training	-	1,660	247	<b>1,907</b>
Worship	-	4,101	-	<b>4,101</b>
Church courses & events	-	4,408	348	<b>4,756</b>
Youth and children's work	-	3,043	21	<b>3,064</b>
Engage (local social action)	-	1,234	-	<b>1,234</b>
	<u>131,427</u>	<u>44,546</u>	<u>34,574</u>	<u><b>210,547</b></u>

### 5 Development of Home & Hub

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£
Fitout	-	1,878	<b>1,878</b>
Mortgage interest	-	67,508	<b>67,508</b>
Building legal & advisory	-	4,151	<b>4,151</b>
Services	-	-	<b>-</b>
Maintenance	-	-	<b>-</b>
	<u>-</u>	<u>73,537</u>	<u><b>73,537</b></u>

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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Fitout	-	5,125	5,125
Mortgage interest	-	47,216	47,216
Building legal & advisory	-	6,975	6,975
Services	-	9,035	9,035
Maintenance	293	-	293
	<u>293</u>	<u>68,351</u>	<u>68,644</u>

### 6 Grants and Mission Giving

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
<b>Gifts for Overseas Mission</b>			
AoG Impact 25:40 Turkey & Syria	-	-	-
AoG Impact 25:40 Afghanistan	-	7,600	7,600
AoG Impact 25:40 Ukraine	-	-	-
AoG Wycliffe Bible Translation	-	1,600	1,600
Brave Church (Sri Lanka) Support	-	-	-
Open Doors with Dr Andrew	600	-	600
Slovenia Building Project	2,000	-	2,000
Light of the Gospel Ministry's	300	-	300
	<u>2,900</u>	<u>9,200</u>	<u>12,100</u>
<b>Gifts to UK Beneficiaries</b>			
Interserve	-	-	-
Alabare	-	-	-
Individuals	3,103	-	3,103
	<u>3,103</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,103</u>
<b>Missions Costs</b>			
Flights abroad	402	-	402
Missions trip costs	536	-	536
Hosting guest speakers & missions personnel	-	-	-
Pastoral care - missionaries	-	-	-
	<u>938</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>938</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>6,941</u>	<u>9,200</u>	<u>16,141</u>

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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
<b>Gifts for Overseas Mission</b>			
AoG Impact 25:40 Turkey & Syria	-	-	-
AoG Impact 25:40 Afghanistan	-	6,687	<b>6,687</b>
AoG Impact 25:40 Ukraine	-	7,607	<b>7,607</b>
AoG Wycliffe Bible Translation	513	-	<b>513</b>
Brave Church (Sri Lanka) Support	1,200	-	<b>1,200</b>
Open Doors with Br Andrew	850	-	<b>850</b>
Slovenia Building Project	-	-	-
Light of the Gospel Ministry's	-	-	-
	<hr/> 2,563	<hr/> 14,294	<hr/> <b>16,857</b>
<b>Gifts to UK Beneficiaries</b>			
Interserve	118	-	<b>118</b>
Alabare	200	-	<b>200</b>
Individuals	1,497	-	<b>1,497</b>
	<hr/> 1,815	<hr/> -	<hr/> <b>1,815</b>
<b>Missions Costs</b>			
Flights abroad	324	-	<b>324</b>
Missions trip costs	80	-	<b>80</b>
Hosting guest speakers & missions personnel	1,351	-	<b>1,351</b>
Pastoral care - missionaries	157	-	<b>157</b>
	<hr/> <b>1,912</b>	<hr/> -	<hr/> <b>1,912</b>
<b>Total</b>	<hr/> <b>6,290</b>	<hr/> <b>14,294</b>	<hr/> <b>20,584</b>

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### 7 Support Costs

	2023	2022
	£	£
Building maintenance & running costs	45,377	16,771
Covid measures	-	37
Rates and insurance	14,202	1,684
Postage	-	133
Telephone and printing	1,541	1,501
Total property related support costs	61,120	20,126
IT	4,430	4,760
Finance	115	26
Creative services	-	308
Executive and legal	17,147	4,450
Depreciation	1,835	1,825
	23,527	11,369
<b>Total</b>	<b>84,647</b>	<b>31,495</b>

Support costs (all are spent from unrestricted funds) have been apportioned based on identified contribution to direct or support function for both staff and expenses.

### 8 Raising funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Fundraising costs	1,855	-	1,855
	1,855	-	1,855

  

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Fundraising costs	1,161	4,836	5,997
	1,161	4,836	5,997

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### 9 Independent Examiner's Fees

Fees payable to the independent examination for:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accounts preparation and independent examination	1,920	-
Independent examination	-	400

### 10 Staff Costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	117,861	122,544
Social security costs	4,800	5,002
Employer contributions to pension plans	3,929	3,882
	<u>126,590</u>	<u>131,428</u>

The average headcount of employees during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
Average headcount	5	5

The number of employees who received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
More than £60,000	-	-

### Key Management Personnel

The key management personnel of CCUK comprises of the Senior Pastor and Executive Pastor. The total employee benefits (including pension and Employer NIC) of the key management personnel of the charity were £63,052 for 2023.



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### 11 Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Donations

During the year four trustees incurred out of pocket expenses for the day to day running of the church amounting to £314.

During the year the total aggregated donations made to the charity by the trustees was £52,507 (2022: £44,278). The donors did not attach any conditions to their gifts which required the charity to significantly alter the nature of its existing activities.

During the year two trustees were employed by the charity for roles outside of their trustee duties. The total remuneration received including employers national insurance and employers pension contribution were as follows:

	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>
Pastor Kirk McAtear	38,419
Pastor Tracee McAtear	24,633

### 12 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Land and Building	Church Equipment	Computer Equipment	<b>Total</b>
			£	£
Cost as at 1st April 2022	2,175,436	5,189	4,691	2,185,316
Additions	471,413	-	-	471,413
Cost as at 31st March 2023	<b>2,646,849</b>	<b>5,189</b>	<b>4,691</b>	<b>2,656,729</b>
Depreciation as at 1st April 2022	-	2,857	1,502	4,359
Depreciation Charge	-	897	938	1,835
Depreciation as at 31st March 2023	-	<b>3,754</b>	<b>2,440</b>	<b>6,194</b>
Net Book Value as at 31st March 2023	<b>2,646,849</b>	<b>1,435</b>	<b>2,251</b>	<b>2,650,535</b>
Net Book Value as at 31st March 2022	2,175,436	2,332	3,189	2,180,957

During 2022/23 we commenced Phase 2 of the building project with the goal of occupying for non-public facing activities in April 2023. Per the accounting policies the building will be depreciated once completed.

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### 13 Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Gift aid	7,363	7,049
Prepayments and accrued income	20,000	2,435
	<u>27,363</u>	<u>9,484</u>

### 14 Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	3,474	2,736
Accruals and deferred income	7,715	-
Other taxes and social security	-	2,177
	<u>11,189</u>	<u>4,913</u>

### 15 Creditors: Amounts Falling Due After One Year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Charity bank mortgage	1,074,354	935,683
Big Issue - Development loan	123,009	123,009
Big Issue - Working capital loan	94,779	94,779
	<u>1,292,142</u>	<u>1,153,471</u>

Capital repayment holiday was granted by both Charity Bank and Big Issue due to the Covid Pandemic and was extended until 31 December 2023.

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### 16 Analysis of Charitable Funds

	1 Apr 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	31 Mar 2023 £
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>					
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General funds	1,130,346	342,913	(257,027)	(1,069,311)	<b>146,921</b>
	<b>1,130,346</b>	<b>342,913</b>	<b>(257,027)</b>	<b>(1,069,311)</b>	<b>146,921</b>
<b>Designated</b>					
Asset and building fund	-	-	-	1,358,393	<b>1,358,393</b>
	-	-	-	<b>1,358,393</b>	<b>1,358,393</b>
<b>Total Unrestricted</b>	<b>1,130,346</b>	<b>342,913</b>	<b>(257,027)</b>	<b>289,082</b>	<b>1,505,314</b>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>					
Vision fund	145,492	157,673	(73,537)	(213,582)	<b>16,046</b>
Big Issue Access capital grant	-	-	-	-	-
Access impact grant	164	-	-	-	<b>164</b>
Growing lives grant	19,000	-	-	(19,000)	-
Synergy legacy	6,000	-	(3,103)	-	<b>2,897</b>
Allchurches Trust Ltd	56,500	-	-	(56,500)	-
Missions	520	9,764	(9,200)	-	<b>1,084</b>
<b>Total Restricted</b>	<b>227,676</b>	<b>167,437</b>	<b>(85,840)</b>	<b>(289,082)</b>	<b>20,191</b>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>1,358,022</b>	<b>510,350</b>	<b>(342,867)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,525,505</b>

#### Fund Transfers

During the year the building development project, other fixed assets and the loan mortgage balances were transferred out of the general fund and building development related restricted funds to a designated fund that holds the netbook value of CCUK's assets less the outstanding mortgage and loan balances.

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	1 Apr 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	31 Mar 2022 £
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>					
<b>Unrestricted</b>					
General funds	790,044	214,476	(218,290)	344,116	1,130,346
	<u>790,044</u>	<u>214,476</u>	<u>(218,290)</u>	<u>344,116</u>	<u>1,130,346</u>
<b>Designated</b>					
Asset and building fund	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total Unrestricted</b>	<u>790,044</u>	<u>214,476</u>	<u>(218,290)</u>	<u>344,116</u>	<u>1,130,346</u>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>					
Vision fund	304,768	247,192	(62,352)	(344,116)	145,492
Big Issue Access capital grant	6,000	-	(6,000)	-	-
Access impact grant	-	5,000	(4,836)	-	164
Growing lives grant	19,000	-	-	-	19,000
Synergy legacy	6,000	-	-	-	6,000
Allchurches Trust Ltd grant	-	56,500	-	-	56,500
Missions	-	14,814	(14,294)	-	520
<b>Total Restricted</b>	<u>335,768</u>	<u>323,506</u>	<u>(87,482)</u>	<u>(344,116)</u>	<u>227,676</u>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>1,125,812</u>	<u>537,982</u>	<u>(305,772)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,358,022</u>

### Fund Transfers

Vision funds were transferred down after the expenditure from unrestricted funds to cover all costs related to the construction of the Home and Hub.

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### Fund Descriptions

#### Designated Funds

Asset and building fund      A fund to hold the net book value of the buildings and other assets held by CCUK less the outstanding loan and mortgage balances.

#### Restricted Funds

Vision fund      Gifts and funding towards the construction of the Home & Hub project.

Big Issue Access Capital Grant      Funding towards the fitout of the Home & Hub.

Access Impact Grant      Funding to engage a fundraiser to write grant bids for the Home & Hub project.

Synergy legacy      Donation for activities for the elderly eg: holidays.

Allchurches Trust Ltd grant      Funding towards the construction of the Home & Hub.

Missions      Appeals eg: Impact 25:40 Afghanistan & Ukraine.

### 17 Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Fixed assets	2,650,535	-	<b>2,650,535</b>
Current assets	158,110	20,191	<b>178,301</b>
Creditors less than 1 year	(11,189)	-	<b>(11,189)</b>
Creditors more than 1 year	(1,292,142)		<b>(1,292,142)</b>
	<u>1,505,314</u>	<u>20,191</u>	<u><b>1,525,505</b></u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Fixed assets	2,180,957	-	2,180,957
Current assets	107,773	227,676	335,449
Creditors less than 1 year	(4,913)	-	(4,913)
Creditors more than 1 year	(1,153,471)	-	(1,153,471)
	<u>1,130,346</u>	<u>227,676</u>	<u>1,358,022</u>



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### 18 Related Party Transactions

Connect Church is affiliated to the Assemblies of God, Great Britain. CCUK made an annual contribution of £5,400 (2022: £5,967) to the Assemblies of God in 2023. Kirk McAtear is employed by AoG GB as a director of Missions on the National Leadership Team.

After the year end in June 2023 Rev Gerald Tan and Rev Dominic Yeo became directors and trustees of CCUK. Both Rev Gerald Tan and Rev Dominic Yeo are senior leaders of Trinity Christian Centre Church in Singapore who have made a number of donations in recent years to CCUK in support of the building project.

Stefanie Lakin is related party to trustee and director Simon Lakin through being a close family relative. Stefanie Lakin is an employee of CCUK and received a total remuneration of £9,353 including employers national insurance and employers pension contribution.

### 19 Events After The Reporting Period

On 15 May 23, Connect Church UK announced that they were moving from friends to family and becoming one of the Overseas Centres of Trinity Christian Centre, with its main site in Singapore. The terms of the relationship are outlined in a Letter of Intent signed 12 May 23 that outlines the nature of the relationship including the spiritual leadership of Lead Pastor Gerald Tan, the inclusion of two trustees from TCC on the CCUK Trustee Board, operational support and financial support.

### 20 Prior Year Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	2022 Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
<b>Income</b>			
Donations and legacies	212,722	323,465	<b>536,187</b>
Charitable activities	1,610	-	<b>1,610</b>
Other income	144	41	<b>185</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>214,476</b>	<b>323,506</b>	<b>537,982</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Raising Funds	1,161	4,836	<b>5,997</b>
Charitable activities	217,130	82,645	<b>299,775</b>
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>218,291</b>	<b>87,481</b>	<b>305,772</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure)</b>	<b>(3,815)</b>	<b>236,025</b>	<b>232,210</b>